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Applicant: Higley

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Title: NICKEL METAL HYDRIDE BATTERY WITH IMPROVED SEPARATOR

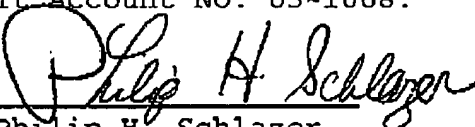
REQUEST FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for a period of TWO MONTH to respond to the Office Action dated March 13, 2006. This request is made under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). The period for response has expired on June 13, 2006.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.17 in connection with this petition to Deposit Account No. 05-1068.


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